

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for controlled synchronization to an astable clock system, and reception unit corresponding thereto are disclosed. Soft synchronization using a slight change in the period duration of the clock signal produced makes it possible to alter said clock signal such that a phase difference between the stable clock signal produced by a phased locked loop upon a synchronization signal and the clock signal produced for an application is slowly reduced until the two clock signals are in synchronization with one another after a period of time.

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